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SUBJECT: DOWNS AND UPS OF CAMEROONIAN-EG RELATIONS

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1. AFTER RECENT CONVERSATION LAURENT MVOGO ESSOMBA, WHO HAS BEEN CAMEROONIAN CHARGE MALABO ALMOST TWO YEARS SINCE REPLACEMENT AMBASSADOR NJOYA REFUSED TAKE UP POST, EMBASSY BETTER APPRECIATES DIFFICULT SITUATION GURC FACES ATTEMPTING DEAL GOEG. ESSOMBA SAID HE WAS CALLED IN GOEG MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS LAST DECEMBER WITHOUT ANY WARNING AND GIVEN FIVE PAGE NOTE ACCUSING HIM OF BEING IN LEAGUE WITH ENEMIES EG AND TRYING SUBVERT GOVERNMENT. KNOWING FULL WELL WHAT HAD HAPPENED TO ME AND DOUALA CONSUL LAST MARCH, ESSOMBA IMMEDIATELY CONTACTED CAMEROON FOREIGN OFFICE AND THEY INSTRUCTED HIM RETURN IMMEDIATELY YAOUNDE. IN VIEW WHAT HAD HAPPENED GURC ALSO ADVISED ONDO OYONO EYEGUE, GOEG 2ND SECTY AND CHARGE SINCE LAST SUMMER, THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER IF HE RETURNED HIS COUNTRY. OYONO DID LEAVE, BUT SURPRISINGLY PRIMO JOSE ESONO MICA, GOEG AMBASSADOR, SHOWED UP SHORTLY THEREAFTER TO RESUME HIS POST. GURC WAS SOMEWHAT MIFFED BY TURN OF EVENTS AND ESSOMBA INDICATED THEY MIGHT ASK ESONO TO LEAVE.

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2. HOWEVER, WITHOUT ANY ADVANCE WARNING SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, BONAFACIO NGUEMA ESSONA NCHAMA, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND ALBERTO SIMA NGUEMA ASA, VICE MINISTER NATURAL RESOURCES, MATERIALIZED IN YAOUNDE AND SAID THEY WISHED SEE PRESIDENT AHIDJO. DEPUTY CHIEF OF PROTOCOL UNDERSTANDABLY VERY NERVOUS ABOUT WHOLE MATTER AS HE SAID THEY WERE EXTREMELY NICE AND HE WAS SURE THEY WANTED SOMETHING OR ELSE THEY

WOULD NOT BE HERE. THEY SAW AHIDJO THAT AFTERNOON. THEY
CARRIED USUAL PRESENTIAL MESSAGE AND DECLARED THAT THEIR
MISSION"...WAS ENTERED ON REINFORCEMENT OF FRATERNAL AND HISTORIC
LINES WHICH EXIST BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES."

3. WHILE NO HARD INFO AVAILABLE, LOCAL DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES
CLAIM MACIE WISHES MEND FENCES WITH CAMEROON AND PERHAPS
PAY VISIT.
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